

Energy Prices Bill

AMENDMENTS
TO BE MOVED
IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

Clause 9

LORD ROOKER

Lord Rooker gives notice of his intention to oppose the Question that Clause 9 stand part of the Bill.

Clause 13

LORD TEVERSON

Page 11, line 3, at end insert –

“(3A) Any payments arising from this Act and made to energy users not connected to the gas or electricity networks must be made directly to those users’ bank accounts.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would ensure that those receiving payments under the Alternative Fuel Payments schemes do so through their bank accounts rather than through their electricity bill.

After Clause 15

LORD TEVERSON
LORD FOSTER OF BATH

Insert the following new Clause –

“Report on effectiveness of energy efficiency programmes in reducing energy costs

- (1) Within six months of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must review the impact of energy efficiency programmes in reducing energy costs in accordance with this section.
- (2) A review under this section must consider the impact of –
 - (a) the number of homes and business properties which have increased their EPC rating,
 - (b) the number of homes and business properties which have undergone retrofitting programmes, including –
 - (i) fitting of solar panels, and

After Clause 15 - continued

- (ii) replacement of gas boilers,
 - (c) increases in renewable energy sources, and
 - (d) public messaging campaigns into changing energy usage habits.
- (3) The Secretary of State must lay a copy of the report before each House of Parliament.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This new clause would require the Secretary of State to report on the impact of energy efficiency programmes in reducing energy costs.

LORD TEVERSON

Insert the following new Clause—

“Report on social energy tariffs

- (1) Within two months of the day on which this Act is passed, the Secretary of State must complete an assessment of the merits of introducing social energy tariffs.
- (2) The assessment under subsection (1) must in particular highlight the impact on the energy costs of the poorest households in the United Kingdom that the introduction of such tariffs could have.
- (3) The Secretary of State must lay a copy of the assessment before each House of Parliament.
- (4) In this section a “social energy tariff” is a long-term support measure under which low-income households and households experiencing fuel poverty are eligible for discounts on their energy bills.”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would require the Secretary of State to complete an assessment of the merits of introducing social energy tariffs.

Clause 22

LORD TEVERSON
LORD FOSTER OF BATH

Page 21, line 9, leave out “in writing” and insert “made by regulations subject to the affirmative procedure”

Member’s explanatory statement

This amendment would make directions under Clause 22 exercisable by affirmative regulation, as recommended by the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee.

LORD ROOKER

Lord Rooker gives notice of his intention to oppose the Question that Clause 22 stand part of the Bill.

Schedule 1

LORD TEVERSON
LORD FOSTER OF BATH

Page 27, line 2, leave out paragraph 3

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the sub-delegation of powers in this Schedule, as recommended by the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee.

Schedule 2

LORD TEVERSON
LORD FOSTER OF BATH

Page 29, line 10, leave out paragraph 3

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment removes the sub-delegation of powers in this Schedule, as recommended by the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee.

Schedule 6

LORD TEVERSON
LORD FOSTER OF BATH

Page 40, line 20, at end insert –

- “8A (1) The powers conferred by section 22 cease to be exercisable after the end of the period of two years beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.
- (2) That period may be extended in accordance with paragraph 9.”

Member's explanatory statement

This amendment would put a time limit of two years on the powers exercisable under Clause 22, as recommended by the Delegated Powers and Regulatory Reform Committee.

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